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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
MASAHIKO KUBOTA ET AL.)
Application No.: 09/384,971)
Filed: August 30, 1999)
For: LIQUID DISCHARGE HEAD,)
LIQUID DISCHARGE METHOD)
AND LIQUID DISCHARGE)
APPARATUS)
Examiner: M. Brooke)
Group Art Unit: 2853)
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The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2001, Applicants elect, without traverse, Species I (Examples 1, 4, 7 and 8). Claims 1-5, 9-15 and 19-23 are believed by Applicants to read upon the elected species.

An early and favorable action on the merits is requested.

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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached by telephone in our New York office at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.



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